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Pride:

We take pride in our City and community, and are proud of the community's values.

The efforts and actions of Deltona reflect the community values of integrity, inclusion, compassion, respect, trust and commitment.



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The City of DELTONA



City of Deltona Proud to be part of it...

Deltona sparkles with season

AS THE HOLIDAY SEASON nears, City staff plan to make the City come alive with the season.

Plans this year are to flood Howland's new medians with clear lights, to hang festive banners around key intersections and on major thoroughfares and to hang lighted wreaths along Deltona Boulevard.

City Hall has always looked special during the holidays and many of the lights will be turned on early this year in honor of the swearing in of the new Commission.

From the Office of Mayor Dennis Mulder

On behalf of the Deltona City Commission, I would like to wish each resident a safe and joyous holiday season. The holidays hold a special place in my heart—it's such a festive time of year.

If you haven't had a chance to visit City Hall to see the beautiful decorations in and around the building, you'll want to make it a point to stop by. You'll notice that holiday decorations are popping up throughout the City, spreading not just "season's greetings" but also a sense of community.

Deltona lacks a central, downtown-like area, and decorating the City in a cohesive fashion is a bit challenging, but in many ways the uniqueness of Deltona's layout reflects the City—individuals and families with an array of different customs and traditions that define our community.

Some members of our community struggle this time of year and may require a little help this holiday season. Deltona has several agencies and churches that will be facilitating holiday donations through worthy programs. If you are able to assist these programs, let me encourage you to do so for the sake of that neighbor that you might not realize is struggling.

Finally, as we look forward to a new year, we look forward as a new group of commissioners with new ideas and new enthusiasm for making Deltona even better in 2008. It's a great time to reflect on the past but to anticipate an exciting future. On behalf of the Deltona City Commission and all our City staff, I wish all of you a wonderful holiday season.

As Thanksgiving nears, two holiday trees will be decorated—inside and outside of City Hall.



"We hope our efforts will somehow make the holidays just a little more special for residents," said City Manager Steve Thompson.

• Don't forget the Holiday edition of Music in the Courtyard featuring the Susan Hounsom Trio of New Smyrna Beach. The trio will perform a variety of holiday songs at 7 p.m. on December 8 in the courtyard at City Hall.



District 4 decided in primary, District 2 headed to runoff

PAUL TREUSCH will replace veteran Commissioner and Vice Mayor William S. Harvey as the District 4 Representative, but a runoff in the General Election will be required for District 2.



Treusch defeated Melissa Stalzer and Nancy Schleicher in the Primary. Treusch received 60 percent of the vote, Schleicher, 29 percent and Stalzer, 11 percent.

The runoff to replace outgoing Commissioner David Santiago will be between Herb Zischkau and Ed Gable. In the primary, Zischkau received 39 percent of the vote and Gable 36 percent. The third candidate, Ed Miller received 25 percent of the vote.

Commissioner Michael Carmolingo will serve a second term as the District 6 Commissioner as he was unopposed in the election.



The City encourages District 2 residents to vote on November 6. For precinct locations or to find out which City Commission District you live in, contact the City Clerk's Office, (386) 878-8500.

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November – December Calendar of Events

NOVEMBER

3 Playstation Tournament, 1-5 p.m. at Harris M. Saxon Community Center, 2329 California St.

10 Music in the Courtyard featuring the Florida Strings, 7-9 p.m. in the City Hall courtyard, 2345 Providence Blvd.

DECEMBER

1 "Night of Lights," Out & About trip to St. Augustine from City Hall, noon-10 p.m. Includes bus, seafood dinner, trolley ride and play. Adults welcome. Register by November 28, by calling (386) 878-8900.

4 Commissioner Denizac's District 1 Town Hall Meeting,

7:00 p.m. at the Harris M. Saxon Community Center.

8 Music in the Courtyard's annual Holiday program, 7-9 p.m. in the courtyard at City Hall.

15 Santa's Helper, 9 a.m.-4 p.m., Harris M. Saxon Community Center. Parents can leave children ages kindergarten through 5th-grade in the care of qualified staff in order to get their holiday shopping done.

ONGOING EVENTS

City Commission meetings, 6:30 p.m., first and third Mondays of each month. Workshops are scheduled regularly for alternate Mondays. For a list of meetings, agendas and minutes, visit www.deltonafl.gov.

Economic Development Board gets down to business

A NISSAN DEALERSHIP WILL BE THE first business to break ground in the Deltona Activity Center at Interstate 4 and State Road 472. The new dealership will include a 45,000-square-foot building which will house a dealer showcase, 27 service bays and two quick lube bays.

Kurt Dye, owner and general manager of DeLand Nissan, says he is excited about the new location. The proximity of I-4 and the volume of business generated by Deltona residents has prompted the opening of the new dealership. "This location will provide our customers with ready access from I-4 to our new facility with enhanced services," said Dye.

"The investment in the new dealership goes well beyond bricks and mortar, glass and blacktop," said Sally Sherman, Assistant City Manager, noting that when it opens, the new facility will have 80 employees, 30 more than at present. But the new facility is about more than additional space for cars and a larger service area. "It's also about

business, and doing more of it," said Dye.

Deltona has been working towards moving forward with a project in the Activity Center for some time. "I think it will be fantastic to have this dealership come to our City. We're also excited that 'Deltona' will become part of the new facility name and I think it

more exciting projects for the City of Deltona," said Steve Thompson, City Manager.

ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT BOARD

The City's newest advisory board, the Economic Development Advisory Board (EDAB), hit the ground running in October and completed work on a draft five-year strategic economic development plan. The draft plan was presented to the City Commission during a joint workshop. The purpose of the plan is to improve the City's efforts in diversifying our local economy by focusing on at least three economic centers within the City. The key areas for development include the Activity Center at State Road 472 and State Road 415. The Strategic Plan also includes the redevelopment of Deltona and Saxon Boulevards.

The proposed strategic plan recommendation includes a goal that promotes collaboration between public and private, preservation and expansion of the economic base. The plan contains 28 specific objectives and 40 strategic actions. The City Commission will consider approval of the proposed Five-Year Strategic Action Plan at the regularly scheduled City Commission meeting on November 5. The EDAB members are made up of local individuals that have a desire to assist in advancing the City positioning in the economic arena.



will be great for both the City and Nissan," said Mayor Dennis Mulder.

From the beginning, the goal for the Activity Center has been to provide an inviting area for mixed use development that would include space for retail businesses, office space, upscale townhomes, apartments, condominiums and room for light-industrial type businesses.

A groundbreaking ceremony is anticipated before the end of the year. "This project represents the start of many

News from Compliance Services

YOU MIGHT REMEMBER THAT IN MARCH the City Commission passed a rental property ordinance designed to make sure that renters are adhering to the same beautification standards as other residents, and to assure that their living conditions are healthy and safe.

The ordinance requires annual registration of all residential rental properties located within the City, except rental properties with on-site owners or management. A \$30 annual fee per property is due at the time of registration.

The key to monitoring rental properties is for City staff to have a local agent or

point of contact for each. The ordinance requires each owner or agent to register with the Department of Finance and Internal Services, naming a local point of contact.

Residents with questions about the residential rental program regulations should call the Business Tax Office, (386) 878-8564 or (386) 878-8563.

KEEP YOUR PETS ON A LEASH

DOGS AND CATS RUNNING AT LARGE (unleashed) are not permitted in the City. All City pet owners or anyone having any animal in his/her possession or custody should be responsible and keep animals under restraint.

If you are walking an animal in the City, you are also responsible to have everything you need to be able to pickup any waste they might leave on property that doesn't belong to you.

So make sure you keep your pet on a leash and cleanup after them when you are away from home.

YARD WASTE

YARD WASTE IS COLLECTED ON Mondays and Tuesdays, depending upon your street address. Residents who have questions about garbage pickup, yard waste pickup and recycling should call the City's contracted provider, Waste Services, Inc., (386) 574-0723 or (386) 574-0778.

Come bike with the Mayor

Break out the bicycles and helmets! It's time to get the family together for the "1st Annual Deltona Family Bike Ride and Festival" on November 17.

This free event starts at Deltona Alliance Church, 921 Deltona Blvd. The ride will follow a route along Deltona Boulevard north then west on Diamond Street. The riders will go south on Embassy Drive and then east on Balsam Street, back to Deltona Alliance Church.

The ride will begin at 8:30 a.m. sharp. Pre-registration starts at 7:45 a.m. and includes a bike safety check and helmet

fitting for all participants. All riders must wear a safety helmet to participate in the bike ride. No training wheels will be permitted on the ride.

In addition, there will be a bike festival at Deltona Alliance Church, immediately after the ride concludes. The festival will include demonstrations and giveaways, as well as a bike rodeo. Vendors will be on-site selling a variety of food and beverages. The festival is scheduled to end at 1 p.m.

For information, please call Jamie Pearson in the Deltona Parks & Recreation Department at (386) 878-8906.

'Hot stuff' at Fire Department Open House

HOW BETTER TO KICK OFF FIRE Prevention Week, than with a "Hot" Open House? And we really mean "hot"... a burn exercise where a room full of furniture is set on fire.

Deltona Fire & Rescue hosted the 23rd Annual Open House at Station 61 (Providence Boulevard) on October 7, complete with equipment displays and interactive demonstrations from the Community Emergency Response Team (CERT), the Fire Explorers and the Honor Guard.

One of the primary purposes for the Open House is to teach youngsters how

to react to a fire and how to stay safe in the event of a fire. During the burn exercise, the audience listened to a narrative of the sequence of events, and watched as the room became fully engulfed in flames in only minutes.

Children in the audience were encouraged to say call, "9-1-1," to get help in extinguishing the room fire. And after the fire was out, parents were able to show their children the destroyed room and devastating effects of the fire, and explain the dangers of playing with fire.

In addition to the burn exercise, there were displays for fire & life safety infor-

mation, Fire Loss Management, auto-extrication, the Special Operations Team, firefighters in their gear and "Freddie" the robot fire truck. Young visitors were entertained by the department clown and were allowed to test the water hoses.

This free event attracted almost two thousand people. In addition to City staff and volunteers, community participation came from the Deltona High Health Academy and the Pine Ridge High EMS Sports Science Academy. The Open House began in 1985 and takes place annually at Station 61.

Important City Phone Numbers

City Hall, 2345 Providence Blvd.,
(386) 878-8100

Mayor and City Commission,
(386) 878-8860

City Clerk's Office, (386) 878-8500

Communication and Public Information,
(386) 878-8755

City Manager's Office, (386) 878-8850

Human Resources, (386) 878-8750

Building & Zoning Services, (inspections
and permitting), (386) 878-8650

Automated inspection information,

(386) 575-6900

Planning & Development Services,
(386) 878-8600

Zoning Division, (386) 878-8615

Animal Control, (386) 860-7177

Code and Solid Waste Compliance,
(386) 878-8700

Public Works, 201 Howland Blvd.,
(386) 878-8950

Water and Sewer, 255 Enterprise Road,
(386) 575-6800 (customer service)

(407) 936-9283 (customer service)

Parks & Recreation, 2345 Providence Blvd.

(386) 878-8900 (programs and facilities)

Fire Department Administration, 1685
Providence Blvd., (386) 860-7177

Waste Services Inc., (Recycling bins,
garbage pick-up and special pick-ups),
(386) 574-0778

Volusia County Sheriff's Office, 1200
Deltona Blvd., (386) 860-7030 or after 4:30
p.m. Monday-Friday, (386) 736-5999

Emergencies, 911

Deltona is 'Storm Ready'

THE NATIONAL WEATHER SERVICE has named Deltona one of seven "Storm Ready Communities" in Florida.

Deltona had to meet a list of requirements during a summer site inspection including: incorporating severe weather threats into emergency response plans, establishing a 24-hour warning point and emergency center, establishing multiple ways to communicate alerts to the public, creating a system to monitor severe weather locally and promoting readiness through seminars, spotter training and emergency exercises. The City has worked hard to make sure our residents are informed by distributing weather radios, using Deltona TV, our Web site and AM

Radio station. Our Community Emergency Response Team is trained to operate as weather spotters along with the Fire Explorers group and the telecommunication staff.

"Everyone has done a lot of work over the last few years to make the City even better prepared for weather emergencies. I am very excited that along with rolling out our new Comprehensive Emergency Management Plan we are able to announce our coveted 'Storm Ready' designation..."

With these accomplishments, Deltona residents and the adjacent communities will now benefit from a higher level of awareness and preparedness during dangerous weather.

Public Safety Tips:

- Smoke alarms save lives – please check your batteries at least once per year!
- Times have changed, and our habits must change as well. When out shopping, or even in your driveway, please lock your car, and place valuables out of view in the trunk.

Sign up for men's basketball

What: Parks & Recreation's 30-and-over men's basketball league.

When: Games begin in late November.

Where: Wes Crile Gym, 1537 Norbert Terrace.

Mandatory coaches meeting, 6:30 p.m., Nov. 14 at Wes Crile. Call (386) 878-8905.



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